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Gentlemen,

I was born in Ventura, Ca in August of 1939. I was very fortunate to have had many opportunities to Trout fish in my early life.

Since the 1960's I have noticed a rapid decline of some fisheries. Most noticeable in my mind is the Ventura River.

I know that the legal limits were more in the past. My father used to talk of the 25 fish limit and I remember personally the 15 fish limit. Now I am virtually a catch and release fisherman using artificial lures.

I truly do not believe that the decline of our fisheries is due to over fishing or the past limits. I place the majority of the blame

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On the management of the waterways. From the small Creek to the larger rivers the needs of the fish have been abused.

Now I realized that there are nearly four times as many people in this state as there were when I was born and that water is a vital life-line.

We all know there has been an abundant amount of abuse regarding the use, the flow, the purity of our waters and I would like to ask that all respectable ideas be examined prior to any additional building of dams and other waterway obstructions.

Here are other viewpoints, please listen to them and let them be discussed with an open mind.

Thank You, Ken & Jeanne
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Mr. Lester Snow, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Snow,

Your agency's bias towards further dam construction poses a grave peril to California's wild fish, including its native salmon, trout and steelhead.

While we all understand that human needs must be balanced with the needs of animals, there is no balance in destroying California's rivers and streams for the benefit of agribusiness giants.

The millions of Californians who enjoy, and depend on, California's outdoors don't need more dams — they need better water conservation and management.

I urge you to use the forces of the free market to encourage the development of new efficiencies. This will save California's wilderness, boost conservation, and benefit everyone in the long run. Please write me back to let me know where you stand on this important issue.

Very truly yours,

Signature

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